John R Woodruff

Dear John, 6/25/79

Thanks for yours 6/22 and the Archives' 5/10/79.

It was written by a (Philadelphia) lawyer (probably Johnson, who is a lawyer) rather than an Archivist and is evasive and equivocal. Until the Kennedy Library was established naturally it had no employees, and until all the Kennedy records were formally deeded to the Archives naturally it could not employ Mary Lincoln. But it did give her office space, which JFK had and could have provided if she were working for him.

The photo I have of the back brace is rather one that includes it. It will cost less to get it from the Archives, which will be able to provided a clearer copy, because I'd have to have a photo shop here first make a negative and then print it.

My recollection is that JFK was also wearing a wide Ace bandage.

I have no personal interest in the two tapes but I'm sure Wrone would welcome copies. If you are getting them from WHSP that is best because the other versions have been altered. (The Stanley program was radio, ran a little over 30 minutes and I believe was never aired. He claimed it as his property in a dispute with Butler, who pirated it with a record from it by Key records.)

Normally restrictions are against commercial rather than scholarly uses. There usually is no limitation of scholarly access as with transcripts having been used by the government all you need fear is someone selling the tape and then using it rather than the content.

However, I suggest that with any copy of any tape attach the reservation so that the reservation will always be known.

There may be more than the single picture I have of all the (other) clothing so I'd ask the Archives. If there is a separate one of the brace I may interest you more that the one I have, which even includes the shoes. (I think mine is packed up but I believe it included his undershorts, belt, suit, etc.)

Sincerely,